

STATE PURCHASE HIGHWAY CEMENT FROM GOLD HILL

Beaver-Portland Cement Company Gets Contract for 50,000 Barrels—Jackson County Delegation Seeks State Aid for Eagle Point and Blue Ledge Mine Roads.

PORTLAND, Mar. 28.—At yesterday's meeting of the state highway commission no bids were asked for construction of highways in Jackson county as engineers' estimates had not been completed. They will be advertised at the April meeting.

A delegation from Jackson county, consisting of E. V. Carter of Ashland, W. H. Gore of Medford and County Judge Gardner and Commissioners Owens and Owen appeared to urge the construction of the Eagle Point and Blue Ledge roads and the Green Springs mountain road. A tentative agreement was reached with Jackson county delegation to cooperate on the road from Ashland to Klamath Falls on a 50-50 basis.

Crater Lake Road

Among the forest projects for highways to be built on a co-operative basis by the state and federal government, decided upon finally by the state highway commission here late yesterday were the following: Medford-Klamath Falls (Anna Creek section) 3.5 miles, grading to cost \$10,000. Bids will be opened in April.

Medford-Klamath Falls (Jackson county) on the Crater Lake road, 22 miles of grading to be done from Prospect to the boundary of the national forest, where the road will connect with the road in the park to the lake. The job is estimated at \$237,000, with Jackson county to pay \$35,000 and the state and forestry department \$121,250 each. This leaves 45 miles between Medford and Prospect to be improved possibly as a post road project at least part of the way.

Buy Cement at Gold Hill

The commission reconsidered its action of Wednesday in rejecting bids for cement and decided to contract with the Beaver Portland Cement company of Gold Hill for 50,000 barrels. The reason for the reconsideration was that the commission discovered that this company offered to furnish cement at a much lower rate than the prevailing market rate and gave other evidences of not being a member of the cement trust.

According to the schedule of the contract, cement will be delivered at Portland for \$2.26 a barrel. The prevailing rate is \$2.59, or 33 cents more. At other points in the state the difference ranges from 18 to 71 cents per barrel.

In awarding a contract for paving between Adams and Athena yesterday the state highway commission met the royalty on patented pavements issue by stipulating with the contractor that the sum of \$10,000 would be withheld until the validity of the patent was adjudicated. In the event it should be held valid the state is to pay to the contractor the amount withheld. If invalid the state is to retain the money.

In the letting of future contracts contractors will be notified that they are not to include a royalty item in making up their bid. If the validity of patents is sustained, the state will pay the royalty.

The Adams-Athena contract was awarded to the Warren Construction company, whose bid on bitulithic pavement was \$170,085.

United Gets Small Contract

The other two paving contracts

were free from complication. The one for the section between Milton and the Washington state line was awarded to the Warren Construction company, whose bid on bitulithic was \$105,051. The competing bid was that of a Spokane firm on a non-patented mixture, \$112,244.

The contract for the two-mile section in Wasco county between The Dalles and Seufert was let to the United Contracting company for \$46,430. The type of pavement selected was a non-patented asphaltic concrete. A petition from a number of citizens of the county asked for bitulithic. The bid of the contractor on this type was \$48,498.

Four Contracts Awarded

The state highway commission yesterday awarded four contracts for grading and macadamizing at an estimated cost of approximately \$250,000 and started plans to call for bids at its May meeting for 91 miles of improved highway, including 70 miles of pavement.

In addition the commission announced the location of the West Side Pacific highway between Forest Grove and Corvallis and the Capitol highway between Newberg and McMinnville, thus settling long standing differences of opinion as to where the roads ought to go.

Pacific Highway Routed

It has been decided that the Pacific highway route shall be from Forest Grove, by way of Gaston, North Yamhill, Carlton, McMinnville, Amity, Rickreel, Monmouth to Corvallis. Both Independence and Dallas will be on the spur.

As a compensation the post road project from West Salem will be extended to Dallas, making a paved road from Dallas to Salem.

Between Newberg and McMinnville the location decided on was the La Fayette route, which it is claimed will be the least expensive to construct, owing to the fact that a greater length of city pavement will connect with it at McMinnville.

The commission also adopted the present road between The Dalles and Chenoweth creek as a part of the Columbia river highway. Between Sheridan and Willamina the present traveled road was accepted as the permanent route of the Tillamook highway.

Contracts Are Awarded

The following contract was awarded: Grading to Divide overhead at the Lane-Douglas county boundary—Albert Anderson, Grants Pass, \$12,388.50.

Grading and macadamizing 2.7 miles between Grande Ronde and Dolph, W. N. Trent, \$35,395.61. This is a post road project, in which the federal government will cooperate.

Macadamizing John Day highway, Wheeler county, 1.7 miles, Copenhagen Brothers, Portland, \$81,038.50.

Grading and graveling Columbia River highway between Morrow county line and Echo, 20.8 miles. Porter-Connelly company, \$193,053.

Asphaltum Contracts Divided

A contract for 10,000 tons of asphaltum was divided between the Standard and the Union oil companies, 60 per cent to the former and 40 to the latter. Both bids were the same—\$18.50 a ton.

The engineer was instructed to prepare plans and specifications for the following projects to be next taken up by the commission:

Paving from Rickreel to Monmouth, with an extension to Independence; paving from Amity, south to railway crossing in Holmes gap.

Paving between Sheridan and McMinnville; paving between Hillsboro and Gaston; paving 20 miles in Columbia county, between Deer Island and Clatskanie; grading between Scappoose and Deer Island; paving between Multnomah county line to Hood River, 18 feet wide.

Engineers' Salaries Increased

The salary of Engineer Nunn was increased to \$400 a month and from 6 to 10 per cent increases authorized for his assistants.

It was ordered that hereafter all advertising for bids on pavement should state that contractors should not, in making their bids, include royalty charge on patented pavement. If it is held that the patents are valid the state will pay the royalty in accordance with the law recently enacted.

The commission order plans and specifications for a number of new projects. These include the paving of the Canyon road from the Multnomah county line to Beaverton in Washington county. In return for this, Multnomah county has agreed with the commission to pave the gap between Bertha and the Washington county line, connecting with a contract previously let by the state. The state will advance Multnomah county \$40,000, which is to be reimbursed by the county next year. No provision for the work had been made in this year's county budget.

Other Projects Decided On

Other projects are to pave from The Dalles to Dufur in cooperation with the county and federal government under the post road act; paving from Eugene to Goshen and from Roseburg to Wilbur.

Preparations were also made to begin the work of grading from Camas in Douglas county to Coquille, a distance of about 18 miles. A reconnaissance survey between Dufur and Madras was ordered with the view of ultimately extending the survey to Klamath Falls.

A delegation from Tillamook county was assured that it was the intention of the commission to follow the law and pave 20 miles in that county as soon as conditions would permit. The commission would also cooperate as far as consistent in the event the county passed a bond issue for road improvement of county roads.

LET CONTRACTS FOR PACIFIC HIGHWAY EARLY IN APRIL

County Judge Gardner, County Commissioners Owen and Owens and W. H. Gore, who was chairman of the house good roads committee in the recent legislature, arrived home this forenoon from Portland quite well pleased with their conferences with the state highway commission and government forestry and post road officials, and with the utmost confidence that government and state aid will be forthcoming for the construction of a highway between Medford and Eagle Point, and another highway from Jacksonville to the Blue Ledge mine.

The visit of the Jackson county delegation was prolific in good omens for the speedy construction of the Pacific highway work in the county already planned and for the proposed new highways.

One of the main purposes of the visit was to take up again with the state highway commission the new highway construction work already approved by the commission in the absence of the state of Simon Benson the chairman of that body. With Mr. Benson present and giving his unqualified endorsement the commission reaffirmed its decision on Jackson county work.

Let Contract April 15

Then the commission announced that it would let the contract for the construction of the new highway section between Central Point and the Gold Hill bridge on April 15, and that as soon as the weather permitted the work of paving the highway over the Siskiyou would be commenced. Bids for grading and paving of the highway between Ashland and the foot of the Siskiyou would soon be called for, it was also announced, and further that soon would be issued a call for proposals for grading construction of the highway between Ashland and Klamath Falls over Green Spring mountain, and that the Jenny creek section, which is the hardest part of this road, will be undertaken first and would be completed this year.

The Jackson county men then put to the state highway commission and Engineer L. I. Hewes of the forestry service, in informal conferences the two proposals for seeking state and government aid in constructing the proposed Eagle Point and Blue Ledge roads as post roads. The proposal for the Medford to Eagle Point road was for a 16-foot highway with two feet on the outside of macadam, the county to pay 25 percent of the cost, the state 25 percent and the government 50 percent.

The Blue Ledge highway proposal of which the cost is estimated at \$54,000, provided for the sharing of the cost of construction between county, state and government on the same basis as the Eagle Point road.

Outlook Favorable

While the highway commission has taken no formal action as yet on the two proposals its members informally expressed their approval, and Engineer Hewes not only regarded the proposals with favor but stated that there was no doubt of the government aid being forthcoming if the highway commission endorsed the projects.

Furthermore, a telegram was received by the commission yesterday from Senator McNary at Washington with regard to the Medford to Prospect section of the Crater Lake road, saying that the government bureau of public roads is willing to do its part if the project is designated by the state highway commission. Secretary Steele of the Medford Commercial club received a similar telegram from Secretary McNary.

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